

# *Town of Lamoine, Maine*

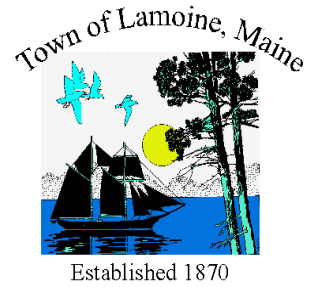
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To: Budget Committee, Selectmen  
From: Stu Marckoon via Mike Jordan, Road Commissioner  
Re: 2011/12 Road Budget  
Date: November 5, 2010

We are pleased to present the proposed road maintenance and paving budgets for the 2011/12 fiscal year. The maintenance budget is fairly flat, but the amount of paving is up compared to the current fiscal year.

**Road Commissioner Salary** – The increase is \$10, just slightly higher than the inflation factor applied to other positions in town.

**Commissioner Expenses** – No change in the \$250 line.

**General Maintenance** – No change in the \$1,000. This is for road maintenance items that don't fit into any specific road category.

**Mowing** – This is reduced by \$100 to better reflect the actual from 09/10.

**Sweeping** - We were able to take advantage of a low-ball bid this past sweeping season. The proposed budget is down by \$200 to more reflect the likely cost of sweeping.

**Crack Sealing** – The proposed \$6,000 is unchanged. We hope to crack seal Walker Road next spring, and in FY 2012 the lower end of Buttermilk Road would be due for sealing.

**Tree Removal** – This line is up sharply. There are several roads that need tree trimming, including Seal Point Road, and some serious work on Walker Road between Mill Road and Route 204.

**Buttermilk Road** – No change in the \$2,000 maintenance line

**Shore Road** – This is cut by 50%. We replaced a large culvert in the summer of 2010. Some smaller culverts need to be reset and some ditching done prior to paving in the spring of 2012.

**Mill Road** – No change in the \$1,000 budget. There is some shoulder work that needs to be done prior to paving in the spring of 2012.

**Walker Road** – In addition to the tree removal, some serious shoulder cutting and ditching needs to be done near the intersection with mill road. The road is pretty rough in that area.

**Asa's Lane** – The maintenance line is down by \$500 – this will be paved in the spring of 2011.

**Needles Eye Road** – This is proposed to rise by \$1,500. We've got some culvert reset issues and shoulder repair on this road. The culvert by the former Luck farm needs to be replaced.

**Clamshell Alley** – This is cut by \$100 – no serious issues exist.

**Cos Cob Ave** – This also is cut by \$100 – the one issue we had by Periwinkle Alley appears to have been addressed.

**Raccoon Cove Road** – Another \$100 cut. This road is in pretty good shape.

**Marlboro Beach Road** – Proposed at \$400, this road is also in pretty good shape. Might need a shoulder fixed.

**Seal Point Road** – We're starting to see some culvert issues on this road. It'll also need some ditches fixed in the not too distant future. The \$1,000 is unchanged from the current budget.

**Berry Cove Road** – The \$500 is for grading and cleaning out the ditch area.

**Gully Brook Road** – The \$300 is for grading

**MacQuinn Road** – No work is expected to be needed on this road.

**Maxwell Ave** – The proposed \$300 is unchanged from the current fiscal year.

**Lorimer** – This drops by \$1,000 as the major work we need to do will be performed in the spring of 2011.

**Birchlawn Drive** – No change from the current fiscal year

**Parking Lots** – after the "crack" in the town hall lot is fixed, we should be in decent shape for the parking lots, thus the major drop.

**Signs** – We had a rash of sign thefts in 2010, thus have gone over budget by quite a bit. The proposed budget is up \$250, and still is less than what we've spent in FY 2011.

**Total non-winter Maintenance** – The proposed overall decrease in the maintenance budget is \$1,200.

**Plow Contract** – The contract price approved by the Selectmen includes a 5% extraordinary cost provision. As you can see, that was not used in the previous fiscal year, and with luck won't be used in the current year. The contract runs through 2013 and is \$88,000 with the 5% extraordinary cost escalator.

**Salt/Sand** – The town participates on behalf of the contractor in the bulk salt purchase arrangement through Hancock County Planning Commission, which costs \$25.

**Hydrant Plowing** – A \$100 increase is built into the budget as there are a couple new hydrants compared to previous years.

**Salt/Sand Shed Maintenance** – This includes electricity and repairing what might break during its use (there was some damage to the garage door track), and sealing the concrete walls if needed.

**Clogged Culverts** – This is one of those lines that we'll either over spend or not use at all – it depends on the winter weather. The proposed \$1,000 is unchanged from the current fiscal year.

**Total Snow** – Up just \$100.

**Streetlight** – The proposed \$800 is up \$50 based on the actual for FY 2010.

**Total Road Maintenance Budget** – The maintenance portion is proposed to drop by \$1,040.

**Paving** – The paving won't take place until the spring of 2012 and two sections of road are on the list under the capital improvement plan. They are the middle of Shore Road and the upper end of Mill Road. Both are deteriorating and will need the pavement.

I've based the estimates on 1.5" of pavement at \$95/ton. The cost of paving has been high but stable for the past couple of years.

Shore Road would see 0.75 miles paved at a cost of \$75,240, and Mill Road would see 0.7 miles paved at a cost of \$70,300. This is up sharply from the current fiscal year, however, is not that much greater than FY 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

*Michael Jordan & Stu Marckoon*